

1 THE HONORABLE JOHN C. COUGHENOUR  
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7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
8 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
9 AT SEATTLE

10 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

11 Plaintiff,

12 v.

13 JESSICA ASHBY,

14 Defendant.

CASE NO. CR17-0111-JCC

ORDER

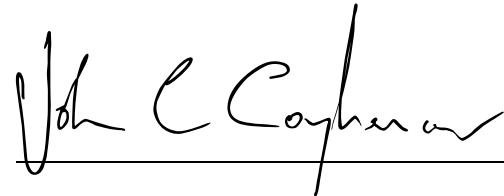
15 This matter comes before the Court on Defendant's motion for a judicial recommendation  
16 for transfer to home confinement (Dkt. No. 130). Defendant is currently serving a 54-month  
17 sentence imposed for a non-violent drug offense. (*See id.* at 2; Dkt. Nos. 91, 92.) Her projected  
18 release date with full credit for good conduct time is February 1, 2021. (*See* Dkt. No. 130 at 2.)

19 Defendant asks the Court to recommend to the Bureau of Prisons that she be transferred  
20 to home confinement to serve the remainder of her sentence pursuant to the Coronavirus Aid,  
21 Relief, and Economic Security Act, Pub. L. No. 116-136, the Second Chance Act of 2007, and  
22 18 U.S.C. § 3621. (*See generally id.*) The parties' briefing recognizes that the Bureau of Prisons  
23 retains sole authority to transfer Defendant to home confinement, (*id.* at 1–2, Dkt. No. 132 at 1–  
24 2), and the Government describes the Bureau of Prisons' efforts to minimize the spread of the  
25 coronavirus and to screen and transfer those inmates eligible for home confinement, (Dkt. No.  
26 132 at 5–7).

1 The Court declines to intrude upon the Bureau of Prisons' statutory mandate to determine  
2 whether Defendant is eligible for a transfer to home confinement. Accordingly, Defendant's  
3 motion for a judicial recommendation for transfer to home confinement (Dkt. No. 130) is  
4 DENIED.

5 DATED this 12th day of May 2020.

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John C. Coughenour  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE